

# RETENTION RATES

## RETENTION RATES OF FALL COHORTS OF NEW STUDENTS

Cohorts are comprised of all students who enter college full-time for the first-time after graduating from high school. At Macalester, our cohorts are almost always synonymous with our new first-year students. Retention and graduation rates are calculated by examining the performance of fall cohorts.

	Fall 2007 Cohort	Fall 2008 Cohort	Fall 2009 Cohort	Fall 2010 Cohort	Fall 2011 Cohort	Fall 2012 Cohort	Fall 2013 Cohort	Fall 2014 Cohort	Fall 2015 Cohort	Fall 2016 Cohort
<b>Number of Students in Original Cohort</b>										
Original cohort	485	479	565	514	478	534	555	541	582	506
<i>Adjusted cohort*</i>	485	478	564	514	478	534	554	540	582	506
<b>Percent of Cohort Retained from First Year to Second Year</b>										
All US Citizens	92	94	96	94	94	95	94	96	93	93
US Students of Color	86	93	98	95	97	95	93	93	92	89
International	95	96	93	97	92	99	95	91	95	97
<b>Total</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>93</b>
<b>Percent of Cohort Retained from First Year to Third Year</b>										
All US Citizens	88	91	92	91	90	91	92	93	91	
US Students of Color	86	85	92	93	91	91	91	90	90	
International	92	92	90	93	88	99	89	91	92	
<b>Total</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>91</b>	
<b>Percent of Cohort Retained from First Year to Fourth Year**</b>										
All US Citizens	88	90	91	89	88	90	91	93		
US Students of Color	85	86	91	88	87	91	91	90		
International	92	96	90	90	92	96	88	88		
<b>Total</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>92</b>		

\*Cohorts may only be adjusted in specific circumstances, such as if a student leaves college for military service or is deceased. The adjusted cohort is used to calculate retention rates.

\*\*For the purposes of this metric, students who graduated prior to the beginning of their fourth year are counted as retained.



Retention of the fall 2016 cohort to fall 2017 is 93%.